

Northern Oriole
13 Dec 1987
Davenport, Scott Co., IA
*P. Petersen
IBL 58:58, 76

Record Number: 87-33
Classification: NA

DOCUMENTATION

Peter C. Petersen

REFERENCES

Field Reports: IBL 58:58

Records Committee: IBL 58:76

VOTE: 3-III, 1-V, 3-no vote

No vote, form is illegible.

V, I can't read it. A xerox copy of a penciled form is not acceptable. I would also vote that we not accept any more Illinois forms. If the bird is seen in Illinois, let them use their form; if seen in Iowa, lets have a documentation that's readable and better organized.

III, Documentation hard to read but could make out enough to see that description adequately describes a Northern (Baltimore) Oriole. I spoke too soon about a possible change in Pete to the Iowa form. Too bad.

No vote, My copy of this documentation was so poor I couldn't read any of it.

III, Description OK for Dec 13. Object strongly to "add-on" for Dec 20. Compare to far better doc following.

no vote, Illegible. (The little I can read suggests this, but why send out stuff that's little cryptic monks?

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Dec 20 update - see under add. comments

SUPPORTING DETAILS: UNCOMMON OR RARE SPECIES AND/OR SPECIES IN HIGH NUMBERS 87-33

CBC name _____ CBS date _____ Compiler _____

Observer writing this account and date Peter C. Petersen, 235 McClellan Blvd. Dav.

SPECIES Northern (Ba H) Oriole NUMBER, AGE, SEX 1, ad. ♂

Distance from bird(s) 15' Relative size of bird about 2 1/2" longer than nearby

HEAD & NECK (Describe forehead, crown, auricular, malar region, median line, etc.) black

House Sparrow

EYE & LORES (Describe supercilium, ring, stripe, color, etc.) black

UPPER & LOWER MANDIBLES grey, tip of lower mandible

LEGS & FEET grey

UPPERPARTS (Describe nape, back, rump, upper tail coverts, etc.) nape + back black, rump + upper tail coverts orange

UNDERPARTS (Describe throat, belly, side, flanks, crissum, etc.) throat black, belly, sides, flanks, under tail coverts orange

RECTRICES (Describe inner, middle, outer tail feathers, color pattern, shape, etc.) central tail feathers black outer black proximally, orange distally

WING (Describe color, length, shape, linings, bars, coverts, leading and trailing edges, etc.) wings black pointed (when folded) orange area at shoulder, no white bar + white edging

VOCALIZATION not heard

BEHAVIOR eating seed at feeder

Date of observation 13 Dec 1987 time 7:55-8:00 AM Weather Partly Sky cover partly cloudy

Duration of observation 5 min. Bird - Sun orientation sun behind clouds, to left at 70°

Exact location 1019 W. Rusholm St. Davenport, IA

Habitat backyard ^{Feeder} in spruce tree Other observers Edith Hadlee - homeowner

Optical equipment 10x40 Zeiss binocs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS also seen 12 Dec. by Mrs Hadlee

→ Present thru 17 Dec. at Hadlee's - occasionally

Seen 20 Dec. by Gerald Packer - 2323 Myrtle St.

AN ACCOMPANYING SKETCH OR PHOTOGRAPH CAN BE AN EXCELLENT FURTHER DOCUMENTATION

1 block away eating berries
Mr Packer No. 1 Black throated orange breast + lower back long bill, about cardinal size